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Six University of Montana faculty members and another from the College of Great Falls will be staff instructors for the first of six communication workshops next month in Whitefish.

The one-day workshops are planned for six different communities between September and November for the benefit of school teachers, administrative and staff personnel, and parents in each district. The Whitefish workshop will be Sept. 20 at Whitefish Elementary School.

Dr. R. Wayne Pace, chairman of the University of Montana Department of Speech Communication, who is program director and coordinator, said the primary objectives of the workshops are to improve communication on the personal level and in the school situation, improvement of communication behavior and to help the participants relate communication research to problems of interpersonal relationships within organizations.

University of Montana speech communication faculty members scheduled to participate in the Whitefish workshop include Dr. Pace; Dr. Robert R. Boren, associate professor of speech communication; Dr. Eldon E. Baker, assistant professor of speech communication; Dr. Duane D. Pettersen, associate director of the UM Communication Research Center, and James H. Polsin and Wesley N. Shellen, speech communication instructors. Terry Radcliffe of the College of Great Falls Department of English also is slated to participate.

William Flint of Whitefish, who is a psychology teacher and guidance counselor at Whitefish High School, is local coordinator for the program.

Information, including invitations and brochures, has been sent to individuals in the Whitefish School District so they can familiarize themselves with the one-day workshop.

A federal grant of \$3,562 and matching funds totaling \$1,839 from the University of Montana and school district sources will be used to finance the workshops, which also are scheduled for Victor, Sept. 27; Twin Bridges, Oct. 11; Helena, Nov. 1; Ronan, Nov. 8, and Gut Bank, Nov. 11.